

City of Norwalk
McAninch Sports Complex Return to Play Policy
May 29, 2020

All attendees shall take personal responsibility for protecting themselves and those around them in the effort to manage the spread of COVID-19.

Facility Policies

- Spectator attendance should be limited to household members of the players on the team.
- Teams and spectators shall not congregate at any time. This includes before and after games inside the facility as well as in the parking lots.
- Attendees are highly encouraged to follow the guidelines from the CDC
 - Wash hands often with soap and water for 20 second or 60% alcohol hand sanitizer
 - Maintain 6 feet physical distance
 - If you are sick stay home
 - Cover coughs and sneezes with tissue or inside of elbow
 - Wear a cloth face cover for those older than 2 years of age
 - Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces daily
- Stay home if you are sick, have symptoms of COVID-19 or have been around someone who has tested positive for COVID-19. Symptoms referenced by the CDC include:
 - Fever or chills
 - Cough
 - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
 - Fatigue
 - Muscle or body aches
 - Headache
 - New loss of taste or smell
 - Sore throat
 - Congestion or runny nose
 - Nausea or vomiting
 - Diarrhea
- Bleachers and picnic tables will be off limits to everyone. Attendees should bring their own individual seating while maintaining a physical distance of 6 feet from other families.
- Lines, for restrooms, concession stands, and the like are discouraged. If there must be a line, a distance of six feet apart shall be in effect at all times.
- Drinking fountains will not be available.
- Players and spectators are encouraged to bring their own water bottles.
- Team water coolers or shared items are not allowed.
- The use of sunflower seeds, gum and anything else that is spit from the mouth is prohibited.

- Dugouts will be restricted to players and coaches only (three coaches max).
- Coaches and players shall clean and sanitize dugouts and common touch hard surfaces before and after practices and games (teams are responsible for their own supplies). This includes disposing of all trash and debris.
- Players should use their own personal equipment. Sharing of equipment is discouraged.
- Players are allowed to wear personal protective equipment, such as masks or gloves, as long as these items do not compromise the safety of any and all participants.
- We encourage each team to use its own softballs/baseballs and sanitize them between practices and games. Foul balls will be returned to the defensive team's dugout and shall be sanitized before entering play.
- End of game handshakes are strongly discouraged. Teams shall line up on their side of the field and tip their caps to the opposing team in order to minimize player contact.
- Award ceremonies will not take place. Coaches will be in charge of handing out trophies to their teams.
- It is the responsibility of the coaches and tournament directors, while using the McAninch Sports Complex, to assure compliance with this policy and the guidelines of your sponsoring organization (i.e. USSSA).

The COVID-19 pandemic is a public health emergency. Therefore these policies are fluid and subject to change at any time.

The City reserves the right to eject any individual or any team or close the facility without notice at any time due to noncompliance.

Approved on May 29, 2020 by:

Mayor, Tom Phillips

Date